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1. IN CONNECTION DISARMAMENT ITEM ON UNCTAD TDB XVII AGENDA, USSR ON BEHALF OF GROUP D MADE TRADITIONAL STATEMENT THAT DISARMAMENT TOPIC HIGHLY IMPORTANT AND THAT DESPITE MEASURES TAKEN ARMAMENT RACE CONTINUES TO BE MORE AND MORE DANGEROUS. \$3 HUNDRED BILLION A YEAR SPENT FOR ARMAMENT AND NEW AND MORE PERILOUS WEAPONS CONSTANTLY DEVELOPED. THIS CONSTITUTES HEAVY BURDEN FOR MANY COUNTRIES INCLUDING LDCS. IT AGGRAVATES INFLATION, LEADS TO HIGHER TAXES AND WORSENS POSITION OF WORKERS. ALSO CURBS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. SOCIALIST COUNTRIES WANT CONCRETE MEASURES TO STOP THE ARMAMENTS RACE AND HAVE MADE NUMEROUS CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS TO THIS END. UNCTAD SHOULD DEVOTE CONSTANT ATTENTION TO ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF DISARMAMENT.

2. CHINESE REP MADE SHARP RETORT CLAIMING THAT EVERY YEAR THE SUPER POWERS INTENSIFY THE ARMAMENTS RACE. ONE SUPER POWER HAS UNCLASSIFIED

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TALKED ABOUT DISARMAMENT FOR DECADES BUT THIS IS HOAX FOR PROPAGANDA PURPOSES. CHINA IS OPPOSED TO SHAM DISARMAMENT SINCE WE NEED DISTINGUISH BETWEEN POTENTIAL AGGRESSORS AND THOSE LIKELY TO BE ATTACKED. DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHOULD BASE THEMSELVES ON THEIR STRENGTH AND FIGHT AGAINST IMPERIALISM AND HEGEMONISM. USSR STATEMENT ON SUBJECT OUT AND OUT LIE.

3. ONLY OTHER SPEAKERS WERE ROMANIA, WHICH TOOK LINE ALONG
SAME LINES AS USSR AND MONGOLIA, WHO SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF GROUP
D POSITION. TDB AGREED THAT DISARMAMENT WOULD REMAIN ON ITS
FUTURE AGENDAS.VANDEN HEUVEL

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